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Title: HANDWRITING RECOGNITION BY WORD SEPARATION INTO
SILHOUETTE BAR CODES AND OTHER FEATURE EXTRACTION

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

| | <u>Pages</u> |
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| Claims | 5 |
| Abstract | 1 |
| Declaration | [To be Filed at a Later Date] |
| Drawing(s) | 14 |

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There are 23 total claims, 2 of which are independent.

Under 35 USC §119(e)(1), this application claims the benefit of prior U.S. provisional application 60/176,972, filed January 19, 2000.

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